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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3237**  
Toshio YOKOYAMA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003\_1207A  
Serial No. 10/647,457 : Group Art Unit 1762  
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**RESPONSE**

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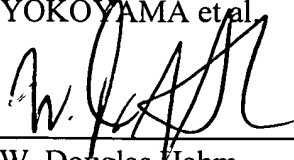
Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of June 20, 2006, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-18 and 22-33, drawn to an apparatus for electroless plating, without traverse, for further prosecution. In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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